

BALLINGER TELLS OF YEAR'S WORK

Report of the Secretary of the Interior Received.

PROBLEM OF PUBLIC LANDS

Development Through Private Enterprise Under National Supervision and Control Desired—Reclamation Service Discussed.

Washington, Nov. 2.—The annual report to the president of Richard A. Ballinger, secretary of the interior, was made public today, and makes interesting reading. The report covers a portion of the time under the administration of James R. Garfield, and Mr. Ballinger gives him credit for his earnest and efficient services.

Secretary Ballinger comments on the old public land statutes, and continues:

"The liberal and rapid disposition of the public lands under these statutes and the lax methods of administration which for a long time prevailed naturally provoked the feeling that the public domain was legitimate prey for the unscrupulous and that it was no crime to violate or circumvent the land laws. It is to be regretted that we, as a nation, were so tardy to realize the importance of preventing so large a measure of our natural resources passing into the hands of land pirates and speculators, with no view to development looking to the national welfare.

Must Continue Prosecutions.

"It may be safely said that millions of acres of timber and other lands have been unlawfully obtained, and it is also true that actions to recover such lands have in most instances long since been barred by the statute of limitations. The principal awakening to our wasteful course came under your predecessor's administration. The bold and vigorous prosecutions of land frauds, through Secretaries Hitchcock and Garfield, have restored a salutary respect for the law, and the public mind has rapidly grasped the importance of safeguarding the further disposition of our natural resources in the public lands in the interest of the public good as against private greed. Notwithstanding this, it is necessary to continue with utmost vigor, through all available sources, the securing of information of violations of the public land laws and to follow such violations with rigid prosecutions.

Use Private Enterprise.

"On this present policy of conserving the natural resources of the public domain, while development is the key-note, the best thought of the day is not that development shall be by national agencies, but that wise utilization shall be secured through private enterprise under national supervision and control. Therefore, if material progress is to be made in securing the best use of our remaining public lands, congress must be called upon to enact remedial legislation."

Mr. Ballinger then gives in detail his recommendations for the classification of public lands, and the features of a measure which he advises for the direction of the disposal of water-power sites.

The Reclamation Service.

Concerning the reclamation service, the report says in part:

"In view of the importance of a speedy completion of existing projects and their proper extension, and of the necessity in 1912 of an adjustment between the states by which the major portion of the funds arising from the sale of public lands within each state and territory shall have been expended so far as practicable within such state or territory, and in view of the importance of making a beneficial use of waters already appropriated or capable of appropriation to which rights may be lost for nonuse, I believe an urgent appeal should be made to congress to authorize the issuance of certificates of indebtedness, or of bonds against the reclamation fund, to an aggregate of not exceeding \$30,000,000, or so much thereof as may be needed."

Energetic reorganization of the Indian bureau is in progress, says Mr. Ballinger, and he recommends that the Indian warehouses at New York, Chicago, Omaha, St. Louis and San Francisco be closed as soon as possible. A more advanced policy respecting the maintenance, improvement and operation of the Yellowstone and Yosemite national parks is urged on the government.

Contracts Made on Feast Days.

The fixed date for Easter is probably a matter of little concern in the United States, but of great importance in continental Europe, where rent and other contracts are written on such feast days rather than at New Year's or the 1st of May.

DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS STOP

SECRETARY KNOX REPORTS TO NICARAGUAN REPRESENTATIVE.

Was Accompanied by a Letter Denouncing President Zelaya as a Disturber of the Peace.

Washington, D. C.—Diplomatic relations between the United States and Nicaragua were ended when Secretary Knox returned the passports of Felipe Rodriguez, Nicaraguan charge d'affaires. Mr. Knox also sent the Central American diplomat a letter in which President Zelaya of Nicaragua was unsparringly denounced. This letter is said to represent the views of President Taft.

The extraordinary feature of the letter is that it indicates an intention on the part of the United States to hold President Zelaya personally responsible for the alleged torture and death of the Americans, Cannon and Groce, and exhibits the unique situation of one government holding the chief executive of another practically as a common malefactor. Zelaya is branded as a violator of solemn international conventions, a disturber of the national and international peace, and a tyrant whose administration has been a blot upon the name of good government.

Secretary Knox virtually announces the recognition of the Nicaraguan revolutionists.

A SLAP AT GOVERNOR STUBBS

Directors of Topeka Club Object to His Present at a Dinner to be Given There.

Topeka, Kan.—At a meeting of the directors of the Topeka Club a motion was unanimously adopted requesting D. A. Valentine to recall his invitation to Gov. Stubbs to attend a dinner to be given at the club by Mr. Valentine in honor of Chief Justice Johnstone.

The action of the club directors is the outcome of Gov. Stubbs' attitude some time ago when the governor resigned his membership in the club because an injunction suit was brought to eliminate the club lockers. Gov. Stubbs had been a member of the club about three years previous to the bringing of the injunction suit. When the legality of the club locker system was thrown into the courts, the governor severed his connection with the organization and at the same time gave out an official statement indicating that he could not afford to belong to a body which was violating the law.

Gov. Stubbs probably will attend the Justice Johnstone dinner after all. It will not be at the Topeka club, however. When Mr. Valentine was notified by the Topeka club directors that the invitation to the governor should be withdrawn he stopped the arrangements for the dinner. He went to the Elks' clubrooms and the dinner will be given there.

THEY ASK A BIG APPROPRIATION

Live Stock Breeders Want Congress to Help in Eradication of Contagious Animal Diseases.

Chicago, Illinois.—The National Association of Live Stock Breeders and Raisers, at its annual convention here determined to ask congress for a liberal appropriation to be placed at the disposal of the bureau of animal industry for the prevention and eradication of tuberculosis, hog cholera and plague, sheep scabies, anthrax and other highly contagious animal diseases. The association will also ask that congress provide for reasonable compensation to farmers for all animals or other property condemned by the government authorities in this work. This association, the largest of its kind in the world has more than 10,000 members, and nearly 100 other live stock associations have joined it in the plan mentioned.

ALIVE FROM A BURNING MINE

Imprisoned Miners in a Tennessee Shaft Built a Partition to Save Their Lives.

Ducktown, Tennessee.—The eight men who were imprisoned in the London mine of the Tennessee Copper company as the result of a fire, were brought to the surface early today. None is injured. The oxygen helmets worn by the first rescuing party were found to be of such weight that they could not be worn with ease into the levels or "stoops." A rescue party of three was then formed and without helmets descended the shaft, finding the eight men on the sixth level, protected from smoke and gases by a partition they had built.

A Grain Firm Suspends.

Kansas City, Missouri.—The Weber Grain company, dealing in grain, stocks and provisions, with headquarters in the Board of Trade building in Kansas City, Kan., and a branch office in the New York Life building in this city, has suspended operations.

WANTED CORRECTNESS.



Customer—M'yes, that's better, but you'll have to alter it a little over the hips, for I'm taking up a new appointment on Monday, and the principal informed me that his firm was very particular as to correctness in figures.

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Boy's Essay on Clothing.

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He Knew the Reason.

"I can say one thing in favor of Mr. Featherly," remarked Mrs. Hendricks, the landlady; "he never takes the last piece of bread on the plate." "No, indeed, Mrs. Hendricks," assented Dumley, cordially, "Featherly ain't quick enough."—Bazar.

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"Why, wh-what's up? Not sick, is he?" (An anxious pause.)

"It grieves me to say, Robert, that our son—your son—has been heard swearing on the street! I heard him." "Swearing? Scott! I'll teach him to swear." And he started upstairs in the dark. Half-way up he stumbled and came down with his chin on the top step.

When the atmosphere cleared a little Willie's mother was saying sweetly from the hallway: "That will do, dear. You have given him enough for one lesson."—Judge.

The Sad and Splendid.

Solomon was in despair. "My wives gave me 700 samples to match on my way down town this morning," he cried.

Herewith he became color blind.

It really makes little difference whether the earth is flat or round, so long as we can make both ends meet.

Foreign Trade of United States. Great Britain buys more goods from the United States than from any other three principal countries in the world—\$620,000,000 worth in 1908; \$10,000,000 more than from France, Germany and Holland combined, according to the July report of the department of trade and commerce of Canada.

What the Name Means. "Pa, what is a pony coat?" "Something I've got to work like a horse for to keep your mother peaceable."—Detroit Free Press.

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